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REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this Patent Application, particularly in view of the above Amendment and the following remarks. No additional fee is required for this Amendment as the number of independent claims and the total number of claims has decreased.

Amendment to the Claims

Applicant has canceled Claims 17-20, to place this Patent Application in condition for allowance.

Allowable Claims

Applicant thanks the Examiner for her efforts in allowing Claims 1-16. Claims 1-16 are now the only pending claims in this Patent Application.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103

The rejection of Claims 17-20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Clemenson, U.S. Patent 4,759,394, is rendered moot, as Claims 17-20 have been canceled.

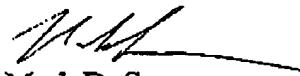
Conclusion

If the Examiner detects any issue which the Examiner believes Applicant has not resolved in this response, Applicant's undersigned attorney requests a telephone interview with the Examiner.

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Applicant sincerely believes that this Patent Application is now in condition for allowance and, thus, respectfully requests early allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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